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1. Coal Supplies for the Hungarian State Railways amounted on 9 July 1953 to 10¹/₂ days requirements. The official in charge of the department in the Ministry of Communications which deals with this subject has decided that every effort must be made to improve the quality of the coal and has nominated a commission to test it at the mines.
 2. Shortages
 - a. About 400 tons of boiler tubes have been ordered from the Klement Gottwald Vitkovice Ironworks, Moravská Ostrava, Czechoslovakia. Half is for the repair shops and half for the Mavag locomotive factory.
 - b. On 30 June 1953 orders outstanding for rails amounted to 1400 tons which, at 48.3 kg to the meter equals a pair of rails about 14 km. long.
 3. Flood Damage
 - a. The track between Gődöllő and Hatvan was swept away in patches, causing half a day's delay in traffic on that line until temporary repairs were effected.
 - b. On the Bicske-Székesfehérvár line about 15,000 cubic meters of the embankment was swept away.

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